Worksheet

Documentation of Land Use Plan Conformance and NEPA Adequacy (DNA)

U.S. Department of the Interior Bureau of Land Management (BLM)

Note: This worksheet is to be completed consistent with the policies stated in the Instruction Memorandum entitled "Documentation of Land Use Plan Conformance and National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Adequacy" transmitting this worksheet and the "Guidelines for Using the DNA Worksheet" located at the end of the worksheet. (Note: The signed CONCLUSION at the end of this worksheet is part of an interim step in the BLM's internal analysis process and does not constitute an appealable decision.)

A. BLM Office: Klamath Falls Resource Area, Lakeview District

Lease/Serial/Case File No. OR-014-DNA-03-08

Proposed Action Title/Type: Saddle Draw Road Treatments

Location of Proposed Action: Road 39-6E-15; Township 39S, Range 6E, section 15, NW quarter (see attached map).

Description of the Proposed Action:

The proposed action is to initiate actions to reduce impacts to hydrologic and stream channel processes resulting from a road located adjacent to an intermittent stream. Although this road segment was previously decommissioned, hydrologic flow paths are still being diverted and impacts to the stream channel continue. The proposed action would be to address these concerns by planting/seeding vegetation, placing large woody material on the road, pulling road fill material away from the stream crossing, and adding additional water bars/water dips (as needed to prevent sediment delivery to the stream).

Applicant (if any): N/A

B. Conformance with one or more of the following Land Use Plans (LUPs) and/or Related Subordinate Implementation Plans:

Name/Date of Plans: Northwest Forest Plan (NFP) ROD/Standards and Guidelines (1994); Klamath Falls Resource Area ROD/RMP (1995)

____ The proposed action is in conformance with the applicable LUPs because it is specifically provided for in the following LUP decisions:

XX The proposed action is in conformance with the LUP, even though it is not specifically provided for, because it is clearly consistent with the following LUP decisions (objectives, terms, and conditions) and, if applicable, implementation plan decisions:

The Aquatic Conservation Strategy (ACS) is described in the Northwest Forest Plan. The ACS provides management direction to reduce the impacts of roads on hydrologic processes and riparian areas (see NFP

ROD)." Additionally, the NFP states that watershed restoration "should focus on removing and upgrading roads (NFP ROD page B-33)."

The KFRA ROD/RMP is tiered to the Northwest Forest Plan. The KFRA ROD/RMP discusses road management objectives and management direction on pages 71-73. This discussion specifically mentions the use of a variety of types of road closures (administrative use, permanent closure, obliteration) and road improvements to meet management objectives.

C. Identify the applicable NEPA document(s) and other related documents that cover the proposed action.

The proposed action is addressed on pages 5, 12, 25, and 26 of the Lower Spencer Creek Watershed Environmental Assessment (OR014-96-02) (1996) and in the Topsy Pokegama Landscape Analysis (pages 82-83, 91, 99-100, 121-122, 203, and 213).

Other documentation relevant to the proposed action includes the Western Oregon Transportation Management Plan (1996).

D. NEPA Adequacy Criteria

1. Is the current proposed action substantially the same action (or is a part of that action) as previously analyzed?

Yes. The set of proposed actions is substantially the same as the project design features discussed on pages 25 and 26 of the Lower Spencer Creek Watershed EA. Efforts (such as the proposed action) to reduce the effects of roads on riparian areas and water quality were also discussed in the KFRA ROD/RMP (pages 71 and 72).

2. Is the range of alternatives analyzed in the existing NEPA document(s) appropriate with respect to the current proposed action, given current environmental concerns, interests, resource values, and circumstances?

Yes. Within several sections of the KFRA RMP/EIS and the Lower Spencer Creek Watershed EA, the current proposed action is addressed with respect to environmental concerns, interests and resource values.

3. Is the existing analysis adequate and are the conclusions adequate in light of any new information or circumstances (including, for example, riparian proper functioning condition [PFC] reports; rangeland health standards assessments; Unified Watershed Assessment categorizations; inventory and monitoring data; most recent Fish and Wildlife Service lists of threatened, endangered, proposed, and candidate species; most recent BLM lists of sensitive species)? Can you reasonably conclude that all new information and all new circumstances are insignificant with regard to analysis of the proposed action?

Yes. A road inventory for the adjacent Spencer Creek watershed was completed in 2001. The data from the road inventory suggests that the extent and condition of the road network is contributing to runoff and sediment generation. The road that is the focus of the proposed action is near a stream. Currently, minor amounts of runoff and sediment from this road is delivered to the stream. Additionally, fill material from a previously removed stream crossing continues to affect channel processes. The proposed action would improve watershed conditions by reducing the impact of this road on water quality and channel processes.

4. Do the methodology and analytical approach used in the existing NEPA document(s) continue to be appropriate for the current proposed action?

Yes. Both the KFRA ROD/RMP and the Lower Spencer Creek EA are relatively recent NEPA documents.

5. Are the direct and indirect impacts of the current proposed action substantially unchanged from those identified in the existing NEPA document(s)? Does the existing NEPA document sufficiently analyze site-specific impacts related to the current proposed action?

Yes. The Lower Spencer Creek EA analyzed the effects of the proposed action on a range of resources.

6. Can you conclude without additional analysis or information that the cumulative impacts that would result from implementation of the current proposed action are substantially unchanged from those analyzed in the existing NEPA document(s)?

Yes. Both the KFRA ROD/RMP and the Lower Spencer Creek EA addressed the cumulative impacts of road treatments.

7. Are the public involvement and interagency review associated with existing NEPA document(s) adequate for the current proposed action?

Yes. The proposed action would affect a relatively minor portion of the road network within the area included within the Lower Spencer Creek Watershed EA.

E. Interdisciplinary Analysis: Identify those team members conducting or participating in the preparation of this worksheet.

| | | Resource(s) |
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| <u>Name</u> | <u>Title</u> | Represented |
| Mike Turaski | Hydrologist | Hydrology, Riparian |
| Brian McCarty | Civil Engineer | Engineering |
| Shane Durant | Forester | Timber Management |
| Tim Canaday | Archaeologist | Cultural Resources |
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F. Mitigation Measures:

The mitigation measures identified in the 11/18/1997 Record of Decision for the Lower Spencer Creek Watershed EA will be incorporated as appropriate/necessary. The Best Management Practices described in the KFRA ROD/RMP (pages D-13 to D-21) will be implemented.

- Required cultural surveys will be completed prior to any ground disturbance. All cultural resources
 will be marked in the field prior to the start of the project and all project activities shall avoid
 disturbance to these resources. If project activities result in the discovery of new cultural resources,
 all ground disturbing activities shall cease and the KFRA Archeologist shall be notified. Resumption
 of activities in that area will be allowed only after all mitigation fieldwork has been conducted.
- The project interdisciplinary team has determined that surveys for botanical, TES wildlife, and survey and manage resources are not required prior to project implementation.

- All vehicles and equipment will be cleaned off prior to operating on BLM lands. Removal of all dirt, grease, and plant parts that may carry noxious weed seeds or vegetative parts is required and may be accomplished with a pressure hose.
- Noxious weeds in the immediate area of operations shall be moved to ground level prior to the start
 of project activities.
- All equipment and vehicles operating off of main roads shall be cleaned off prior to leaving the job
 site when the job site includes noxious weed populations. Removal of all dirt, grease, and plant parts
 that may carry noxious weed seeds or vegetative parts is required and may be accomplished with a
 pressure hose.

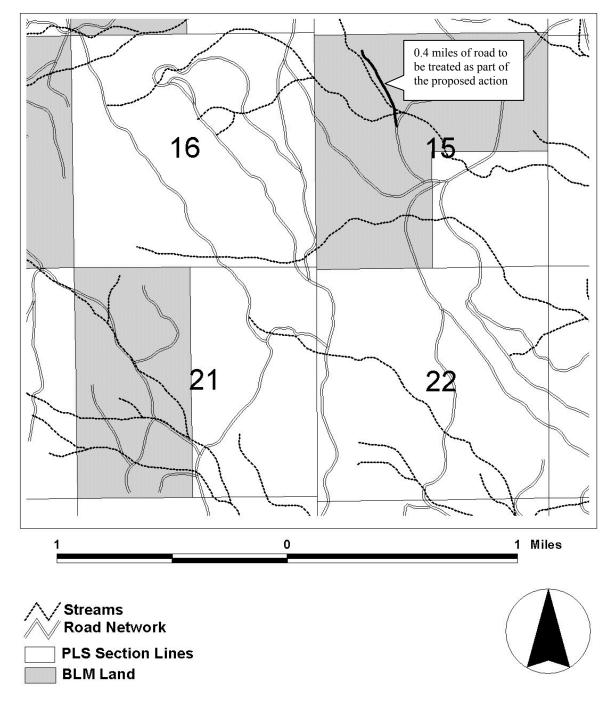
CONCLUSION

Based on the review documented above, I conclude that this proposal conforms to the applicable land use plan and that the existing NEPA documentation fully covers the proposed action and constitutes BLM's compliance with the requirements of NEPA.

Note: If one or more of the criteria are not met, a conclusion of conformance and/or NEPA adequacy cannot be made and this box cannot be checked.

Signature of the Responsible Official

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Map 1. Location of proposed road treatment (Township 39S, Range 6E, section 15; USGS Spencer Creek Quadrangle).

DRAW ROAD ABUTERATION TREATMENTS SADDLE Project Name: 2/11/2003 Date Initiated: esource or Staff Responsible Review **Preliminary Review** Comments Final Review **Priority** Date/Initials Attached/Incorporated Date/Initials Manager: Teri Raml Last Branch Chief: Barbara Ditman Second to Last 3/14/03 Second to Last monwedity Branch Chief: Larry Frazier Second to Last Branch Chief: Mel Crockett dkh 3/10/03 Third from Last Planner/EC: Don Hoffheins, Kathy Lindsey Range: Bill Lindsey NA Range: Dana Eckard Wild Horses: Tonya Pinckney Fire/Air Quality: Joe Foran Silviculture: Bill Johnson, Gabi Sommerauer see affinited next Timber: Mike Bechdolt suggest a held trip with Botany/ACEC//Noxious 'eeds: Lou Whiteaker 414/03 NA soils: Jannice & Mike Cutler see comments on Cultural: Tim Canaday TC 2/19/03 Dasa 3 15 Te Minerals/HazMat: Tom Cottingham Lands/Realty: Linda Younger Recreation/Visuals/Wilderness : Scott Senter REVISED PER 2/19 Hydrology/Riparian: Mike ID TEAM DISCUSSION Turaski, Andy Hamilton AMA Wildlife/T&E: Gayle Sitter Fisheries/T&E: Scott Snedaker W/S Rivers: Grant Weidenbach 8m-3/18/00 yes Page 2 Engineering: Brian McCarty BMC Done/Attached *This document will not sit on your desk for Needed Clearances/Surveys more than 8 hours. Please check on calendar TC 2/19/03 Cultural to make sure that the next person will be available to review the document. No 2/14/030 tanical **Some resource areas may not apply for all T&E, BA & or Consultation projects. If so, just mark "N/A" in "Review Priority" column. **R-O-W Permits**

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